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Summary

Citizenship – D. Eligibility Restrictions for Food Assistance
WAC 388-424-0020 This change expands eligibility for federal food assistance to qualified immigrants who receive disability cash or medical benefits. It also adds information about SSA work quarters and rewrites Clarifying Information and Worker Responsibilities.
Eligibility Reviews and Recertifications – B. – Food Assistance Recerts
WAC 388-434-0010 Implements federal requirements for recertifying food assistance after a client's certification period expires. Indicates that the department will stop a client's benefits at the end of their current certification period if they do not turn in an application form by the end of the certification period. If a client turns in an application to recertify food assistance after the end of their current certification period, we treat it as a new application for benefits.
Income - E. – Effect on Eligibility and Benefits
WAC 388-450-0185 Replaced FS Standard deduction of \$134 to a tiered deduction based on the number of AU members. This implements a mandatory provision of the Farm Bill. Clarified that the department allows the child support deduction for current or past support for a period the child was not in the home.
WAC 388-450-0190 Added that homeowner's association or condo fees are allowable shelter expenses. Updated the maximum shelter deduction to \$367.00 for AUs without an elderly or disabled individual.

WAC 388-450-0195

Updated SUA, LUA, and TUA standards effective 10-1-02.

Clarifying Information: Clarified that an AU that lives in public housing and is responsible for excess heating or cooling costs is eligible for the SUA if we expect the client to go over their allowance and pay out-of-pocket heating costs.

Resources – A. Eligibility and Limits

WAC 388-470-0005

Implements a mandatory provision of the federal Farm Bill. Changes the resource limit for food assistance to \$3,000 for households with an individual that is elderly or disabled.

Standards - B. – Food Assistance Standards

WAC 388-478-0060

Updated food assistance standards for annual adjustments to the Gross Income Standard, Net Income Standard, Maximum Allotment, and 165% of Poverty Level Standard.

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